



REQUEST FOR FILING A PATENT APPLICATION UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.53(b)  
Attorney Docket: 056207.50756C1

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**



**Mail Stop PATENT APPLICATION**

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is a request for filing a continuation application under 37 C.F.R. 1.53(b), of pending prior application:

Serial No.: 10/009,638  
Filed on: December 14, 2001  
Of: Hiroshi HIRAYAMA *et al.*  
Entitled: Air Flow Measuring Device Formed Integrally With  
Electronically Controlled Throttle Body  
Examiner: Erick R. SOLIS  
Art Unit: 3747  
Class-Subclass: 123-399000

- ☒ 1. Accompanying this order is a copy of the prior application as originally filed.  
(Pages 1-39)
- ☒ 2. 15 Sheets of drawings, depicting Figures 1-24.
- ☒ 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney:
  - a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
  - b. ☒ Copied from prior application
    - i. ☐ Deletion of Inventors - signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application
- ☒ 4. Incorporation by Reference:

The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the oath or declaration is supplied under Box 3b, is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
- ☐ 5. Cancel original claims

- ☐ 6. Small entity status:
- a. ☐ A small entity statement is enclosed
- b. ☐ A statement of small entity status (copy attached) was filed on \_\_\_ in the prior application and status as a small entity is still proper and desired.
- c. ☐ Is no longer claimed
- ☒ 7. The filing fee is calculated below:

**CLAIMS AS FILED, INCLUDING ANY CLAIMS  
CANCELLED OR ADDED BY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Basic Fee					\$385	\$770.00
Total Claims	12	-	20	=	0 x 9 = \$	18 =
Ind. Claims	3	-	3	=	0 x 43 = \$	86 =
Multiple Dependent Claims				+	145 = \$	290 = \$
<b>Total</b>					<b>\$</b>	<b>\$770.00</b>

- ☐ 8. Please charge my Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #\_\_\_) in the amount of \$\_\_\_.
- ☒ 9. A check in the amount of \$770.00 to cover the filing fee is enclosed.
- ☒ 10. The Commissioner is authorized to charge any fee which may be required under 37 CFR 1.16 or 37 CFR 1.17 or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 05-1323 (Docket #056207.50756C1).
- ☒ 11. Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence: --This application is a continuation of application Serial No. 10/009,638, filed December 14, 2001.--
- ☐ 12. Priority of Appln. No(s). \_\_\_, filed in \_\_\_ on \_\_\_, is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119.
- ☐ 13. A certified copy of each said priority document was filed in application Serial No. \_\_\_ on \_\_\_.
- ☒ 14. The prior application is assigned of record to Hitachi, Ltd., and Hitachi Car Engineering Co., Ltd.

- ☒ 15. The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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- ☒ a. The power appears in the original application papers in the prior application.
- ☐ b. Since the power does not appear in the original application papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.
- ☐ c. Attached is a duplicate of a Supplemental Declaration which was filed in the prior application to overcome informalities.
- ☒ d. Address all future correspondence to:

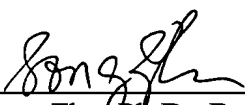
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- ☒ 16. Forms PTO-892 and PTO-1449 listing prior art made of record in the prior application are attached. A copy of each of the listed references should be available in the prior application file.
- ☒ 17. A Preliminary Amendment is being filed herewith.
- ☒ 18. Return Receipt Postcard.
- ☒ 19. Other: Application Data Sheet; Information Disclosure Statement

Respectfully submitted,

November 17, 2003

  
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